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Mr. Jean J. Couturier, Executive Director
National Civil Service League
1028 Connecticut Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Jean:

As you will note, we have prepared introductory remarks
for General Cushman rather than Mr. Helms who unfortunately
must be out of town on 13 June. Colonel White is aware of this
change.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Robert S. Wattles
Director of Personnel

Enclosures

Introductory Statement
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Colonel Lawrence K. White

Executive Director-Comptroller
Central Intelligence Agency

Colonel Lawrence K. White, USA (Ret.), enjoyed a long and successful career in the Army before entering the field of intelligence

STAT The honors and decorations given to him for meritorious service and bravery during World War II and the high esteem in which he is held in the Central Intelligence Agency and the United States intelligence community are evidence that "Red" White has a position of prominence among men and women who have made unique contributions to the maintenance and strengthening of our national security. STATINTL

Colonel White began his career in intelligence

positions. In 1954 he was appointed by Allen W. Dulles, then Director of Central Intelligence, as Deputy Director for Administration. In this capacity he directed the financial, personnel, training, communications, logistics, legal, and medical activities of the Agency. In

June 1965 Admiral Raborn, the Director of Central Intelligence at that time, appointed Colonel White as Executive Director-Comptroller, the Agency's top executive-management position. He continues to hold this important position -- third in the Agency's executive command.

Secretary , Honored Winners, Distinguished Guests,
Ladies and Gentlemen:

Mr. Helms has asked me to express his regrets that he is not able to be here this evening to introduce one of his long-time colleagues from the Central Intelligence Agency. I have known him off and on for 20 years -- and we found out just the other day that we had fought side by side in the Pacific in World War II before that. During this period I have come to realize and to share the high respect and the devotion held by all for this particular gentleman, among these men we are honoring here tonight. He is a man of outstanding character, superior skill and high dedication. Acting in Mr. Helms' behalf, I consider it an honor and a privilege to introduce to you a man who is much respected and admired in the Central Intelligence Agency and, indeed, throughout the Government -- Colonel Lawrence K. White.

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Colonel Lawrence K. White, you have developed management concepts and practices which have resulted in notable improvements in the operational effectiveness of the Central Intelligence Agency. From the very start of your service with CIA you have been a powerful influence upon the development of the institutional character of the Agency. It has been said that you are a down-to-earth idealist who is a tough-minded executive having a human understanding that both guides discipline and tempers judgments. You are honored for your outstanding achievements which exemplify to an exceptional degree the characteristics so necessary of public service: competence, character, integrity, and dedication to country.